

REMARKS

This application has been reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed on September 28, 2005 and the Advisory Action mailed on February 1, 2006. Reconsideration of this application in view of the below remarks is respectfully requested. Claims 1 – 64 are pending in the application with Claims 1, 7, 18, 21, 26, 32, 42 and 45 being in independent form. By the present amendment, Claims 1 – 17, 19 – 20 and 33 – 35 are canceled and Claims 18, 36 and 37 are amended. No new subject matter is introduced into the disclosure by way of the present amendment.

The present invention as recited in independent Claims 18, 21, 26, 32, 42 and 45, provides data phase signals that are transmitted between a buffer and a DRAM on each module. Osaka et al fails to disclose or suggest such data phase signals being transmitted between two components on each module.

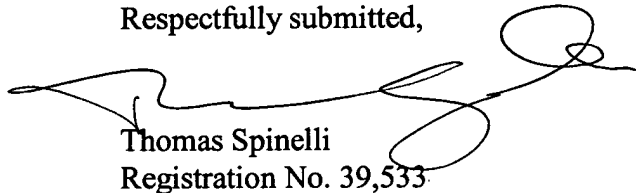
Therefore, for at least the reasons given above, Claims 18, 21, 26, 32, 42 and 45, as well as Claims 22 – 25, 27 – 31, 36 – 41, 43 – 44 and 46 – 64, which depend from these independent claims, are believed to be patentably distinct and allowable over the cited prior art references.

CONCLUSIONS

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all claims presently pending in the application, namely, Claims 18, 21 – 32 and 36 – 64 are believed to be in condition for allowance and patentably distinguishable over the art of record.

If the Examiner should have any questions concerning this communication or feels that an interview would be helpful, the Examiner is requested to call Applicant's undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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